GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2716
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PAY SCALES OF VTH PAY COMMISSION TO EMPLOYEES OF BURN STANDARD EMPLOYEES
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Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Bharat Wagon is considered every facilities like production, purchase preference, LD facilities, sell preference and also 5th Pay Commission to employees and officers whereas the Burn Standard is not considered for production, sell preference and also 5th Pay Commission for both employees and officers;

(b) if so, the reasons for this discriminations;

(c) whether the employees of Burn Standard has to pay 18% interest for payment of loan, those who opted for VRS, whereas the Bank interest is 7 to 8%;

(d) whether Burn Standard Company Limited, Burnpur will merge with Bharat wagon or the unit itself will be survived; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES(SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV)

(a) and (b): In coordination with the Ministry of Railways, special measures like waiver of liquidated damages (LD), freezing of pending unexecuted orders and free supply of bogies and couplers were taken to restart production in Bharat Wagon & Engineering Company Ltd. 5th Pay Commission recommendations are not applicable to the employees and officers of these companies. Desirous of extending support to Burn Standard Co. too, the Ministry of Heavy Industries have requested the Ministry of Railways to provide facilities of free supply of bogies and couplers to Burn Standard Company also.

(c) the employees who have gone on VRS are not required to pay any interest on the payment made to them.

(d) and (e): No proposal of merger of Burnpur unit of BSCL with Bharat Wagon is under consideration for its survival.